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Neighborhood Cluster



Columbia Heights **Mount Pleasant Park View Pleasant Plains**

Cluster 2 comprises the four neighborhoods of Columbia Heights, Mount Pleasant, Park View and Pleasant Plains. The Cluster is bounded to the north by Spring Road and Rock Creek Park, to the south by Florida Avenue, to the west by Rock Creek Park and 16th Street, and to the east by Park Place wrapping down to Georgia Avenue. The Cluster is crossed by three major north-south thoroughfares: 16th Street, 14th Street, and Georgia Avenue (further east).

Cluster

Parks

Water

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Columbia Heights

Mount Pleasant

Park View

Pleasant Plains

Physical Characteristics and Assets

Looking at Cluster 2's residential profile, we see that 16th and 14th Streets include a large number of apartment buildings. The cross streets from Mount Pleasant to Park View and down through Pleasant Plains are generally blocks of rowhouses representing a number of architectural styles and historical periods. The present condition of houses in this Cluster varies widely from vacant and abandoned to fully refurbished homes.

Cluster 2 has three main commercial corridors: Mount Pleasant Street, 14th Street, and Georgia Avenue. Those corridors are characterized by small-scale, neighborhood-oriented businesses, many of which are locally owned.

Key assets and features of Cluster 2 include the following:

- A vibrant, multiethnic population.
- Neighborhoods with a good housing stock and a strong real estate market.
- Access to Rock Creek Park, with several connections to the park, which offers recreational opportunities.
- The historic Mount Pleasant Library, one of five Carnegie libraries in the District of Columbia.
- The Metro station at Columbia Heights, which provides accessibility and is an important community asset for stimulating development.
- The Cardozo and Bell-Lincoln Schools, as well as the Park View, Bancroft, Bruce Monroe and Tubman Elementary Schools.
- Numerous neighborhood recreational opportunities, including the Park View and Banneker Recreation Centers, as well as a number of small community parks and playgrounds.



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Recent Neighborhood Activity

- The Tivoli Square development will feature a new, 40,000-square-foot Giant Supermarket, retail space, entertainment, and 25 townhouses.
- The Grid Properties (DC USA) development will have nearly 400,000 square feet of retail and entertainment uses, as well as approximately 1,300 parking spaces.
- The Clifton Terrace apartment development on Clifton Street will have 228 middle-income condominiums plus moderate- and low-income apartments. Its completion is scheduled for 2003.

